GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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FACILITIES TO DISABLED PERSONS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has proposed certain facilities free to disabled persons in the draft Civil Aviation Requirements (CARs);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these have been notified; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) and (b):- Yes, Sir. In accordance with Civil Aviation Requirements (CAR) issued by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) on carriage of passengers by air with disability and/or with reduced mobility, airlines are required to ensure arrangement of wheelchairs without any extra charge. Airlines are also to permit disabled passengers to use their own wheelchair if they so prefer.

(c) and (d):- The CAR on carriage of passengers by air with disability and/or with reduced mobility has been issued on 1st May, 2008 under Section 3- Air Transport, Series `M` Part 1 and is available on DGCA website.